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People passing on the street invariably pause in front of the art store and gaze admiringly at the pictures displayed within. The humanizing, educational and elevating influence of these pictures is, without a doubt, fully as great as the influence of books. We, therefore, consider ourselves very fortunate in having been able to furnish our readers with that incomparable collection of photographic reproductions, known as the "Forest City" World's Fair Art Portfolios, and at a price which places the series within the reach of all. There is nothing cheap about this series except the price. The views are carefully selected from the large number secured by the official photographer of the Exposition, and they are reproduced in the Portfolios in the best possible style of the engravers' and printers' art. Each view is accompanied by a concise and comprehensive description, written by Walter B. Stevens, the Exposition Secretary, making the series doubly official. Four parts now ready at Star office.

More About Modern "Finance"

A series of articles which will prove of the utmost interest, are to be started in Everybody's Magazine next month. The articles will be entitled "A Story of Amalgamated Copper" and will be written by Thomas W. Lawson. These articles are destined to

cause a profound sensation not only in financial circles, but throughout the country generally. They will, according to the advance notice issued by Lawson, be an exposure of the modern system of finance by which the incubation of wealth is secured by the financiers from the people's savings in the banks, trust and insurance companies.

That something was radically wrong, because it was criminally wrong, in the system of high finance that has grown up in the United States and other countries, has been only too evident. Poor people have been filched of their savings by means of this "system," as Lawson terms it, leaving them worse off than before, while the promoters and other heavy financiers in the undertakings have reaped harvests of gold. A most striking example of the abuses of this "system" is found in the collapse of the United Steel corporation, which was started by J. Pierpont Morgan, Schwab and others. This shameful deal swallowed up millions of dollars of the people's savings. When the collapse came the small investors were left, in many instances, penniless. But were the promoters and financiers affected? Not in the least. Where they had gone into the deal with millions, they came out with many times millions.

According to the statements of Lawson, Amalgamated Copper appears to have been a similar scheme of robbery. It is well for the community at large that this man has decided to expose the shady methods of that big transaction. For his articles will not tell alone of the details of that shameful scheme of corruption and greed, but will expose the entire working of the general system of which it was but a part. When thieves fall out honest men come by their dues, and when financiers fall out, the public seems destined to learn the truth.

Lawson is the man especially well qualified to write such a series of articles. He is a strong, vigorous personality. He is a splendid type of the strong, manly man who is a product of the present day conditions in the United States. He is a Boston man. Not a few years ago he was a poor man. There are people living in Honolulu who have friends that recall distinctly the time when a small loan was gratefully received by this same master of finance. Lawson's ability to grasp his opportunity enabled the man to rise to financial eminence, however, until today he is a power among, and at the same time, a menace to the army of financiers of this nation. It was Lawson who built the yacht Independence three years ago for the purpose of defending the America's Cup when Sir Thomas Lipton made the second attempt to lift the trophy. The controversy which Lipton had with the New York Yacht Club over his refusal to allow the yacht to be sailed in any but his own name, will be readily recalled by those who have followed this splendid sport of racing.

The following excerpts from the introduction give some idea of the purposes and scope of the Lawson's exposure:

"There will be let down, in the series of articles of which this is the foreword, in as simple and direct a fashion as I can write it, The Story of Amalgamated Copper and of the "system" of which it is the most flagrant example. This "system" is a process or a device for the incubation of wealth from the people's savings in the banks, trust, and insurance companies, and the public funds. Through its workings during the last twenty years there has grown up in this country a set of colossal corporations in which unmeasured success and continued immunity from punishment have bred an insolent disregard of law, of common morality, and of public and private right, together with a grim determination to hold on to, at all hazards, the great possessions they have gulped or captured.

"I shall draw a picture of two dress-suit cases of money being slipped across the table at the foot of a judge's bench in the court-room, from its custodian to its new owners, upon the rendering of a court decision; and I shall show how the new owners frustrated a plot whereby they were to be waylaid and the bags of money recovered.

"I shall devote some space to pointing out the evils and dangers of the latter-day methods of corrupting law-makers, and show how one entire Massachusetts Legislature, with the exception of a few members, were dealt with as openly as the fishmongers procure their stock-in-trade upon the wharves; how upon the last day of the Legislature, because their deferred cash payments were not promptly forthcoming, they turned, and made necessary the hurried departure for foreign shores of a great lawyer and his secretary, with bags of quickly gathered gold, and all evidences of the crimes committed and attempted; how after the ship arrived at an island in foreign seas the great lawyer's dead body received hurried burial, and his secretary's was later dropped, with weights about his feet, to the ocean's depths; and how ever since the natives whispered among themselves their gruesome suspicions."

Newspapers And Contempt

Here is an extract from a decision by a South Carolina United States Circuit judge, which some local lawyers, and courts also, might well digest: "That newspapers sometimes engage in unwarranted criticism of the courts cannot be denied. In some cases they construe the liberty of the press as a license to authorize them to engage in wholesale abuse of the Court; but these instances are rare and do not warrant a departure from the well-settled principles of the law as declared by Congress and construed by the courts. If a Judge charged with the administration of the law is not to be criticized on account of his official conduct, the liberty of the press is abridged and the rights of individuals imperiled."

Honolulu has had an unusual amount of contempt-of-court proceedings during the past few years, directed against newspapers. Some of it has been upheld in our highest court, under a law amended by the legislature since the case in question was decided. But under the decision of this South Carolina authority, there can scarcely be such a thing as contempt by means of publication. If a newspaper should publish a comment on a trial in progress and carefully send a copy to each juror, says the judge, it would "present a question," but the mere publication, even during the trial, is not contempt. The criticism of a court,—and Heaven knows many American courts

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have often needed criticism,—is proper and right at all times, but may be wrongly done, just as courts themselves may improperly perform their duties.

Admiral Glass and squadron have arrived at Bremerton, where all the vessels of the squadron are to have some repairs. Perhaps some day such repairs will be made at Pearl harbor, according to plans now growing mouldy in navy department records, but the department does not seem to be in any hurry about it.

General Toral's fate is sad one. It was certainly no fault of his that he had to surrender to Chafter at Santiago. But his country always identified him with the deed, just as they showed hostility to brave old Cervera, whose desperate dash to disaster was one of the most heroic incidents of the war with Spain.

There is a thorough "news sense" to be noticed in Chefoo, to judge from a few scattered items in some of the Japanese papers. Several junks arrived there not long ago and they brought the tidings that "the supply of food stuffs at Port Arthur is gradually decreasing." This is one of the paragraphs which deserves the time honored heading "Important if True."

Exposures of the crooked methods of big financiers are following in rapid succession. The Morgan-Schwab crowd have also learned something, but unlike their victims, they are heavily paid for receiving the lesson.

The Japanese do not seem to be making quite as rapid progress as was expected of them. We shall never know the truth of the campaign being waged by Kuropatkin and Kuroki and Oku, but it is evident that the Russian general is pursuing tactics which embarrass the Japanese in carrying out their plans.

If Henry G. Davis should by any chance be elected vice president, he will be 88 before the end of his term, provided that he lives that long. This seems to make the nomination an unfit one. The vice-president should be a man fit to take the presidency in case of a vacancy.

ONLY A FEW MONTHS.

He—After I am out of college, darling, I may have to wait a few months before I can make enough money to support you.

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"The deuce! When?"

"A few weeks? Why doesn't he take her now?"

"Well, you see, he is doing a lot of expensive work on her teeth and he wants to collect the bill from her father first."—Kansas City Journal.

SUBURBAN ARITHMETIC.

Teacher—Now, Johnny, if your mother engaged two cooks on Monday three on Tuesday, and four on Wednesday, how many would she have?

Johnny—None.—New York Sun.

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